

New to the Medical Waste Management Act

By definition, "Home-generated sharps waste" means hypodermic needles, pen needles, intravenous needles, lancets, and other devices that are used to penetrate the skin for the delivery of medications and which are derived from a household, including a multifamily residence or household.

On or after September 1, 2008, no person shall knowingly place home-generated sharps waste in any of the following containers:

- Any container used for the collection of solid waste (trash), recyclable materials, or greenwaste.
- Any container used for the commercial collection of solid waste (trash) or recyclable materials from business establishments.
- Any roll-off container used for the collection of solid waste (trash), construction, and demolition debris, greenwaste, or other recyclable materials.

On or after September 1, 2008, home-generated sharps waste shall be transported only in a sharps container, or other containers approved by the enforcement agency, and shall only be managed at any of the following:

- A Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. *(Note: not all Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facilities accept medical sharps. Contact your Recycling Coordinator for information on the HHW facility nearest you).*
- A "home-generated sharps consolidation point." *(Note: there are 18 collection facilities throughout Ventura County. Click on link for a complete facility listing: www.ventura.org/rma/envhealth)*
- A medical waste generator's facility pursuant to the California Health & Safety Code Section 118147.
- A facility through the use of an approved medical waste mail-back container.

To view this new legislation (Senate Bill 1305) in its entirety, click here: www.leginfo.ca.gov

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COUNTY OF VENTURA CONTACTS

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